

NY WSO Board Meeting – Sunday, March 20th

Board meeting called to order at 7:38PM (via Zoom)

In Attendance:

James McDermott, President
Alyssa Garrison, Athlete Rep
Chris Smith, Long Island Rep
Frank Mintz, NYC Rep
Jerry Dunne, Athlete Rep
Joe Rodriguez, Hudson Rep
Sara Soto, Athlete Rep

- President's opening remarks: overview of ADK Regional Open next weekend, many of the board members will be there to help, thanks to everyone!
- Committees
 - o Events & Athlete Support Committee
 - o Joe Rodriguez & Alyssa Garrison are the respective chairs
 - o Joe comments: Events committee members are Joe Rodriguez, Joe Triolo, Chris Smith, Jeff Scott, Joelle Von Bischoffshausen (Cuppa Joe athlete). Currently putting together guidelines/checklist, budget planning help, wants to put together a packet for meet directors. Potentially an annual calendar with qualification deadlines.
 - o Alyssa comments: Athlete Support committee members are Sara Soto, James McDermott, Alyssa Garrison, Amiee Lazar (Gryphon coach) is on deck as another committee member, Steve Swistak & Julia Falamas named as other options if Amiee is unable to serve. Focus on youth & junior athlete support (fundraising, scholarships) and also supporting women as athletes & coaches.
 - o Discussion about restricted funds, still not sure how & where to deposit funds, seems like we have to keep an accurate & detailed ledger.
- State Championships
 - o NY WSO Championship/NY State Championship meet name confusion in BARS, trying to see if we can adjust to just be NY State Championships.
 - o Noted that we are still charged \$75 for the meet sanction.
 - o Awards breakdown for 2021:
 - Top 3 Seniors (Male & Female) \$350, \$250, \$150
 - Top 3 Masters (Male & Female) \$350, \$250, \$150
 - 10% of the meet total = estimated \$1600 will be coming from Jamie Swagler
 - Member payouts: 175 Niagara, 760 Met x \$1.50 = estimated \$1400 from membership from USAW
 - = \$3000 for cash prizes
 - o James made a motion to use the prize amounts mentioned above, Sara seconded the motion. Motion is passed unanimously, prizes will start to be dispersed ASAP. Certificates will be mailed, USAW will handle prizes?? TBD
 - o The hope is that this budget overview will be used as a guideline for future state championships.

2022 State Championships Budget Overview

- Venue cost discussion (Binghamton Hilton): \$2000 for both days; cost would not go up, could go down if more than 100 rooms get booked.
 - Supplies: wood price fluctuates
 - Loaders: \$500
 - Officials: \$30/official per session, \$15/weigh in
 - Meet Director: \$6000
 - Food: will fluctuate, expecting \$18 per person per day, expecting cost around \$2200
 - Awards: Medals & Banners \$1000 (or less), Cash Prizes (same as last year)
 - New addition in 2022 to Cash Prizes: Youth & Juniors, Top 3 by ROBI: \$300, \$200, \$100
 - UHaul: \$120
 - T-Shirts: \$2000
- All acknowledge that this budget is higher than what we believe we have in our NY WSO account with USAW. James reminded everyone that this budget is slightly inflated in certain areas, be mindful of costs when making purchases as getting reimbursements will take time.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40PM.